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C. BANGKOK 30651

FOR SCARRITT FROM FUJIOKA

1. GSO DOOLITTLE RECOMMENDS FOLLOWING ACTION BE TAKEN ON SUBJECT GENERATORS:

LINE ITEMS 517-1 THRU 517-5 BE TURNED OVER TO LOCAL GM DEALER FOR ESTIMATION OF REPAIR COSTS. DOOLITTLE AND DEALER SEE GOOD POSSIBILITY OF THREE GOOD WORKING MACHINES BEING OBTAINED FOR FUTURE USE BY CANNIBILIZING THE WORST TWO OF THE LOT FOR COMPATIBLE SPARE PARTS. SOME ADDITIONAL NEW PARTS MAY BE REQUIRED, BUT COST SHOULD NOT BE EXCESSIVE, CONSIDERING ORIGINAL PURCHASE COST OF MACHINES.

LINE ITEM 518: ESTIMATED COST OF ENGINE REPAIR ONLY:\$8,000.00.
GENERATOR CAN NOT BE TESTED UNTIL MACHINE IS RUNNING. HOWEVER THIS COST IS NOT CONSIDERED EXCESSIVE, AS MACHINE IS NOT THAT OLD.

LINE ITEM 519: ESTIMATED COST OF ENGINE REPAIR ONLY:\$2,500.00.
GENERATOR CAN NOT BE TESTED UNTIL MACHINE IS RUNNING. THIS TRAILER-MOUNTED MACHINE IS SELF-CONTAINED AND COULD BE UTILIZED WITH ADDITION OF LOAD CABLES ONLY.

2. LOCAL GM REP AGREES TO INSTRUMENT-CHECK GENERATORS PRIOR TO COMMENCING ENGINE OVERHAULS. SHOULD GENERATORS PROVE TO BE UNCLASSIFIED

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FAULTY OR UNSERVICEABLE, ENGINE OVERHAULS WOULD NOT BE PERFORMED.

3. LINE ITEM 520: NO LOCAL REPRESENTATIVE AVAILABLE TO PROVIDE REPAIR COST ESTIMATE. MACHINE APPEARS TO BE SERVICEABLE WITH SOME MINOR TUNE-UP WORK.

4. LINE ITEMS 522-1 AND 522-2: ALTHOUGH NOT FAMILIAR WITH CUMMINS ENGINES, LOCAL GM DEALER AGREES WITH GSO DOOLITTLE THAT AGE OF THESE MACHINES WOULD MAKE REPAIRS COSTLY DUE TO COMMENTS IN REF C.

5. LINE ITEM 521: POST DESIRES TO RETAIN THIS MACHINE FOR USE AS STAND-BY UNIT AT PEURIFOY APARTMENTS. ALTHOUGH MACHINE HAS NOT BEEN RUN RECENTLY, MINIMUM HOURS SHOWN ON ELAPSED-TIME METER INDICATE RECENT OVERHAUL AND COSTS REQUIRED TO PUT MACHINE INTO OPERATING CONDITION WOULD BE NEGLIGIBLE WHEN COMPARED TO ORIGINAL ACQUISITION COST.
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